

REFLECTIONS

A Newsletter for Graduates and Friends of Siena Heights College

Summer 1997



**Hold on to your hats,
here comes the class of 1997**



A warm wind blew all cares away on a sunny Commencement day in Adrian. Top: Metropolitan Detroit graduate Nicole Bolden-Stokes holds on to her mortarboard. Lower photos, from left: Magna cum laude Adrian campus graduate Deborah Beagle glows with accomplishment. Adrian campus graduates Jeff Condon, Kristy Crist and Brett Burns (in shades) are all smiles. Monroe Center B.A.S. candidate Marc Brooks shares his achievement with a friend and supporter.

Trustees Approve New Alumni Constitution

Acting on the recommendation of the Trustee Advancement Committee, the Siena Heights College Board of Trustees approved in May a revised constitution for the Siena Heights Alumni Association. Association President Melissa Durbin presented the constitution on behalf of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. The Alumni Board spent about two years considering changes to the constitution and by-laws, which were last updated in 1991. Changes in the constitution were made primarily to achieve the following three goals:

- to officially identify the Alumni Association Board of Directors as the Association's leadership group, and to confirm its purpose as an advisory group to the College;
- to upgrade the professionalism of the Alumni Association Board of Directors by establishing terms of office, term limits, a rotating term structure, standing committees, operating procedures and attendance expectations; and
- to ensure that the diverse membership of the Alumni Association is better represented in its leadership group by stipulating that the Board include among its members representatives of off-campus center graduates, Adrian Dominican graduates and various decades of graduation, as well as ethnic and gender diversity.

As stated in the new constitution, the mission of the Alumni Association is to strengthen and perpetuate the spiritual, intellectual and social relationship between Siena Heights College and its graduates and former students; to promote the interests and achievements of the College and its alumni; and to aid in and encourage the financial support of the College.

Copies of the new Alumni Association Constitution are available from the Office of Communications and Constituent Relations at Siena Heights.

Alumni Event Scheduled

at Barn Theater in August

Graduates and friends throughout southwest Michigan, along with alumni and students of Siena's Kellogg Community College Center in Battle Creek and the Benton Harbor Center at Lake Michigan College, will gather Saturday evening, August 16, for dinner and an evening of summer stock at the acclaimed Barn Theater, where The Who's "Tommy" will take the stage. Susan Strupulis, administrative assistant at the KCC Center and a 1995 graduate of Siena's Battle Creek program, is coordinating the event with assistance from Stephanie Tobolski '96 and Kathy Felan Jay '82. If you will be in the area and would like to attend, please contact the Advancement Office on the Adrian campus (517-264-7140) or Susan Strupulis in Battle Creek (616-965-3931, ext. 2950).

Start Planning Now: Alumni Weekend '97

Plans are well underway for Alumni Weekend '97, October 24-26 on the main campus in Adrian. The Class of '92 will celebrate its first (i.e., 5th!) reunion. Graduates of '72 and '47 will be honored for their 25th and 50th reunions. And all classes ending in "2" and "7" will celebrate significant landmarks. Highlights of the weekend include men's and women's varsity soccer games, an alumni tailgate party, the traditional alumni luncheon, Saturday evening's reunion reception and class dinners, and the return of Las Vegas Night under the direction of Dr. Tim Husband and the mathematics department. Whether you were a traditional or non-traditional student, whether you attended classes on the Adrian campus or at one of our degree-completion centers--we invite you to "Fall Back in Step with Siena." Details will be in the mail, but don't wait for your Alumni Weekend brochure: Mark your calendar today! We'll be looking for you.

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Of Home Improvements & Hard-Won Degrees

Hammers and drills and assorted construction tools and equipment have been making happy music on our Adrian campus this summer. If you've been here recently, I don't need to tell you that many of our buildings have needed repair. Now, thanks to the Board of Trustees' decision to authorize a \$4 million tax-exempt bond issue, repayable over 20 years, the College is moving forward with a long list of much-needed repairs to our physical plant. Tax-exempt bonds are a standard means for colleges and universities to fund the kind of infrastructure improvement projects that are inherently "unexciting" to donors but are critical to the maintenance of our facilities. Such projects are similar to investing in a new furnace or replacement roof in your own home: You're rarely excited about the expense, but you pay the price or imperil the house. We can't do everything at once, of course, but we're hard at work and hope to boast many positive changes by the time classes resume in August.

Those changes began the morning after our Adrian Commencement, when workers began replacing the flat roof on Lumen Chapel and resurfacing driveways and parking lots around campus. Other projects underway this summer include: a new floor, roof and ventilation system for the Fieldhouse; new or repaired roofs for Benincasa Dining Hall and the Performing Arts Center; an upgraded elevator for Ledwidge Hall; a new elevator, storage shed and other improvements for Studio Angelico; and various internal and structural repairs to Ledwidge and Archangelus Halls. The first of several science labs will receive a summer facelift with new computers, microscopes, stools and tables funded through donations.

On our "to do" list for the near future are roof repairs for Sacred Heart Hall and the Science Building; improvements to the heating and ventilation systems in various campus buildings; new doors for the Science Building; waterproofing several buildings, and miscellaneous other repairs.

As you visit Siena Heights over the next few months--for Alumni Weekend, an athletic event, concert or art exhibit--look around and ask questions. Like the homeowner's new furnace, our home improvements may not be obvious at a glance, but they're important to the quality of campus life. We'll be happy to tell you all about them!

Commencement is an occasion of celebration, when we reward the accomplishments of our students with the conferral of earned degrees. It is, as well, an opportunity for the College to recognize the outstanding achievements of other individuals, men and women whose work in the world bespeaks our institutional values. We are privileged to confer upon these people the honorary doctoral degree.

This year, we granted the Doctor of Humane Letters to: journalists Peter Steinfelds and Margaret O'Brien Steinfelds of New York, both nationally recognized writers on religion, ethics and social issues; Latin American expert and former Ambassador to El Salvador Robert E. White of Alexandria, Virginia; and Detroiters Daniel and Rosemary Kelly, founders of the Rose Hill Center for treatment of mental illness. Earlier in the spring, the Board of Trustees also awarded the honorary doctorate posthumously to the late Virgil Gladieux, a longtime leader in the Toledo business and civic community and loyal Siena Heights trustee.

Art students from the 1950s may recognize the Steinfelds name: Peter's father, Melvin Steinfelds, taught art here for five years and oversaw the design and execution of the extensive mosaics adorning the walls of Lumen Chapel.

Peter's return to Adrian in May was a very nostalgic and enjoyable visit to his childhood haunts.

Joan and I extend a warm welcome to all our new degree holders--recipients of associate, baccalaureate, master's and honorary doctoral degrees--into the Siena Heights alumni community.



Richard B. Artman

Back row from left: Honorary degree recipients Daniel Kelly, Rosemary Kelly, Robert E. White, Margaret O'Brien Steinfelds and Peter Steinfelds. Front row from left: Chairperson of the Board John P. Tierney, President Rick Artman, and Prioress of the Adrian Dominican Congregation Patricia Walter, OP.



From the Campuses



LCC President Abel Sykes, Jr., left, and Siena Heights President Rick Artman inked a partnership agreement last spring that extends Siena's long-standing commitment to providing convenient, affordable degree opportunities to both traditional-age and working adult students.

First Year a Success for SHC at Lansing Community College

When Siena Heights opened the doors of its new degree-completion center on the campus of Lansing Community College last fall, the response was immediate. With offices located in LCC's Gannon Vocational Technical Center building, Siena Heights enrolled 40 students by winter semester, in programs leading to the Bachelor of Applied Science degree and the Bachelor of Arts with a major in general studies. Program advisor Lynda Cowes expects the program to "grow by leaps and bounds as word gets out" that LCC students and other adults in the Lansing area can complete their bachelor's degrees with Siena Heights without traveling beyond the LCC campus. "I have had good feedback from instructors and students on the quality of our program," Cowes said. "This degree-completion program fulfilled a need here in Lansing. Although there are many quality colleges and universities in the area, many students were unhappy with their degree-completion choices until Siena came to town."

Jackson Center Opens in '98

Siena Heights and Jackson Community

Benton Harbor graduate Cathy Dudley (right) shares the pride of graduation achievement with her daughter.

College recently completed a partnership agreement authorizing Siena to establish a degree completion center on the JCC campus. Siena Heights will begin offering classes in Jackson in January 1998, but will be visible at JCC this fall, advising students, promoting degree options and rolling out the program generally. As of June 1997, plans call for offering the Bachelor of Applied Science degree and the B.A. with majors in accounting, business administration and general studies at the Jackson site.

Kalamazoo Center Adds Classes at KVCC Downtown

This fall, in its second year of operation, Siena Heights' Kalamazoo Center will begin offering courses at Kalamazoo Valley Community College's downtown campus, known as Arcadia Commons, as well as at Hackett Catholic Central, where Siena Heights established itself last fall. This new course location "tightens the partnership" between Siena Heights and the community college, Norm Bukwaz, dean of off-campus programs, noted. With business courses taught at Hackett and additional offerings taught at KVCC downtown, Siena Heights now will be able to help adult students in the area earn either the Bachelor of Applied Science or the Bachelor of Arts majoring in either general studies, humanities or business administration. A minor in behavioral sci-

ences also is offered. Although Siena's administrative offices will continue to be housed at Hackett Catholic Central, some advising will be offered on the KVCC main campus.

Metro Detroit Expands Satellite Program at Notre Dame

Siena Heights' Southfield-based Metropolitan Detroit Program has established an on-going satellite office at Notre Dame High School in Harper Woods, serving adult students on Detroit's east side. Pat McDonald, OP, assistant dean of academic and student support services, spends three days a week advising students at the Notre Dame office. With more than a dozen hospitals within about 20 minutes of the site, classes at Notre Dame primarily have served students seeking the Bachelor of Applied Science in allied health professions; area students seeking the community services major also have taken courses at Notre Dame. The Metropolitan Detroit Program schedules 4-5 classes each term at Notre Dame; another 30 classes are offered in Southfield. Steve Goddard, associate dean at Metro Detroit, predicts the Notre Dame program could be as large as the community college centers by 1998.



Off-Campus Sites Celebrate Noteworthy Anniversaries

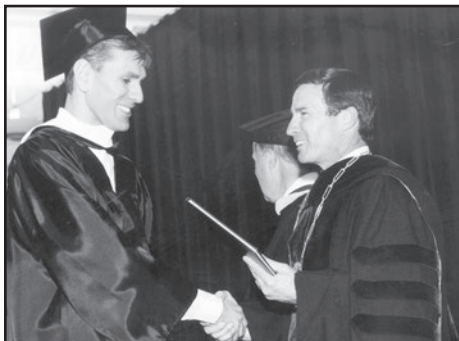
This year marks some significant “birthdays” for Siena’s off-campus degree completion programs: **The Kellogg Community College Regional Center** in Battle Creek, established in 1992, celebrates its fifth anniversary. Center director Zadie Jackson (who also directs the Kalamazoo Center), program advisor Janet Newman-Graham, and administrative assistant Susan Strupulis ’95 coordinate a schedule of courses offered at KCC and in Coldwater and Hastings. Siena’s KCC Center offers the Bachelor of Applied Science degree and the B.A. with majors in accounting, business

administration, general studies, humanities, public services administration and human services administration. **Siena Heights at Lake Michigan College** in Benton Harbor celebrates the 15th anniversary of its founding this fall. The LMC Center offers the Bachelor of Applied Science, the B.A. in accounting, business administration and general studies, and the Master of Arts in human resource development. Deb Carter directs the Center with administrative assistant Marie Suzor and academic advisor Christy Coombes. **The Metropolitan Detroit Program** also has reached a major milestone: the 20th anniversary of its permanent center in Southfield. Siena Heights began offering classes in Southfield as early as 1975, but did

not establish permanent offices there until 1977. MDP now offers the B.A.S. degree; the B.A. with majors in business administration, community services, general studies and public services administration; minors in behavioral science and health care management; and the Master of Arts in human resource development. Southfield center director Steve Goddard heads an administrative staff of eight.

Congratulations to our Graduates Across the State!

Commencement ceremonies for the Class of ’97 were held in Adrian May 4 (for all Adrian, Monroe and Metropolitan Detroit Program graduates), in Benton Harbor May 10, and in Battle Creek May 11. Graduates of the off-campus



Adrian graduate Rudolfo Jaimés accepts a degree and a hand shake from President Rick Artman.

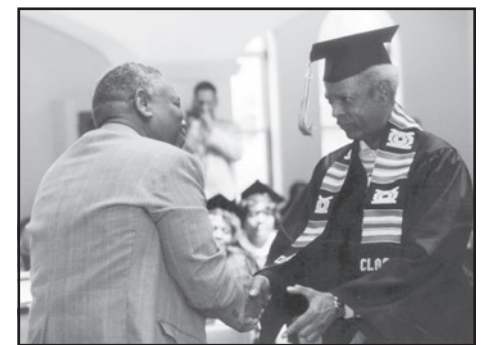
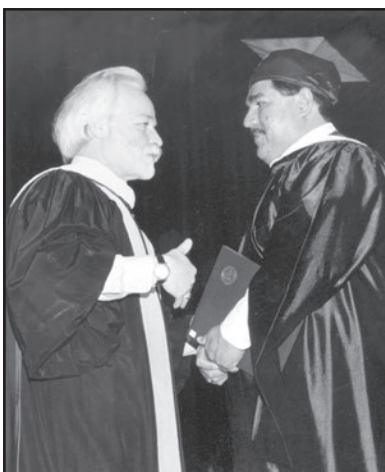
centers accounted for about 60% of the baccalaureate degrees awarded this spring.

Mary Brzezinski of Portage started at Siena Heights as an 18-year-old in the 1960s, but left after two years. Work, marriage and four babies kept her busy--“but it was always my goal to finish my degree,” she said. When a job change brought her family to the Battle Creek area, she was delighted to find Siena’s Kellogg Community College Center.

Completing her B.A. in humanities has been “enjoyable, tough, really good for me--and very gratifying.”

Cathy Harrell of Mattawan, who also attended the Battle Creek center, knows why finishing a degree can be so important for working adults: Cathy completed her B.A. in public services administration in May; 30 days later, she traded in a factory job for a position as an appraiser in the Oshtemo Township assessor’s office.

Terry Bjes, whose B.A.S. from Siena’s Lake Michigan College Center in Benton Harbor comes 30 years after she first started college, speaks for many Siena students: “When you have a family and job, it’s harder to go to school, but I think older people are more goal oriented.” Asked why she chose Siena



Above: Metropolitan Detroit Program graduate Orbie Gales receives a kente scarf and congratulations from Larry Richardson '76 at the Alumni Association's African-American kente ceremony in Adrian.

Heights to complete her degree, Terry said, “Siena was the most caring when I inquired. From other colleges, I got answers to my questions by e-mail or letter, but from Siena I got a real person to talk to, and that’s why I decided to go here.”

Working adult students “have always been part of Siena Heights,” says Dr. Bob Gordon, dean of graduate studies and lifelong learning, who estimates that non-traditional students (age 24 and older) make up 30 percent of Siena’s Adrian enrollment and about 70 percent of total enrollment.

Congratulations to all 1997 Siena Heights graduates. No matter where you took your classes or which graduation you attended, you are all members of the same Siena Heights Alumni Association!

Left: Juan Tobias (right), one of the first three recipients of the Master of Arts in Human Resource Development from Siena’s Benton Harbor Center, receives his diploma from faculty member C. Patrick Palmer.

Scholarship Donors Meet Their Student Scholars

Donors of named annual scholarships (gifts of \$1,000 or more) and the student recipients of those scholarships had an opportunity to meet each other this spring when Siena Heights hosted a Scholarship Luncheon on campus. President Rick Artman presided over the event, attended by more than 100 donors, student scholars, faculty, staff and members of the Board of Trustees.

Right: Art major Tara Bouginé of Ortonville (seated center) was this year's recipient of the Sister Jeannine Klemm Scholarship. She is shown at the Scholarship Luncheon with, at left, her parents John and Linda Bouginé; scholarship donors Marcine Klemm, OP (standing) and Jean Agnes Klemm, OP (seated right); and Siena Heights Trustee J. Patrick Murphy, C.M. Tara graduated *summa cum laude* in May with a B.F.A.; she received the Division of Visual and Performing Arts and Education Award and was co-recipient of the Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award.

Top: Kyhlil Perry of Detroit (seated center) was this year's recipient of the Mary Jean Cornillie Scholarship. Shown with Kyhlil are (at right) donors Mary Jean and Henry Cornillie, Siena Heights business manager Sharon Robertello (seated left), and Kyhlil's family (back from left), father Michael Folks, sister Brandy Folks, and mother Patricia Folks. Kyhlil will be a sophomore this year at Siena Heights.

Volunteers make the difference for Siena fund raising

Volunteers are a special part of any fund raising effort, and Siena Heights enjoyed an exciting partnership this year with a number of graduates and friends who volunteered their time, effort and financial resources for the betterment of the College. "We are very fortunate to have such energetic individuals working on

our behalf," Jeff Freshcorn, director of annual fund programs, said recently. "It is through their work and the efforts of future volunteers that Siena Heights will reach new levels in programming and gift support." A special thanks to those listed below for their contributions to the success of the 1996-97 fiscal year.

Annual Fund Council

These individuals helped plan and implement the 1996-97 Siena Heights Annual Fund Program. Trustee Jim Motschall chaired the Council with support from Allan Brittain, Margaret Scholz Noe '75, and trustees Steve Hickman and Byron Stickles '80/'83/'88 M.A.

Corporate Fund Council

This group was responsible for soliciting more than 50 local businesses and companies within Lenawee County for the direct purpose of scholarship support for Lenawee County students. Allan Brittain, board chairman at Bank of Lenawee, chaired the effort with assistance from Garry Clift, Sam Engardio, Larry Francoeur, Pat Gill, Jim Kapnick, past chair of the Siena Board of Trustees Dick Keeley, Mark Kremiski, Dave Maxwell, Don McCarthy and Mark Murray '97.

Alumni Fund Council

These volunteers operated a one-night phonathon, calling more than 285 Siena

Heights graduates within Lenawee County. Adrian attorney Margaret Scholz Noe '75 served as chair of the group, which included

Linda Buthart, Mary Fitzpatrick-Thompson '91, Laura Schaedler, Ceal Schwartz '73 and Robert Stranges '76.

"On behalf of the students and faculty of Siena Heights, I want to extend a very special thanks to these individuals for all their efforts this year," Freshcorn said.

Don Taylor brings new leadership to advancement

Don F. Taylor of Boca Raton, Florida, assumes leadership August 1 as Vice President for Advancement at Siena Heights. Taylor comes to Siena Heights from Florida Atlantic University where he has led fund raising efforts for seven years as associate vice president for advancement and vice president for development and alumni affairs. Previously, he spent six years at the University of Florida as director of development for the College of Architecture and development coordinator for the School of Building Construction. Prior experience includes 12 years in real estate management, construction, and private business. "Don is an experienced fund raiser and we look forward to his leadership and success at Siena," President Rick Artman said in announcing Taylor's appointment. "We are fortunate to have attracted a person with his credentials and abilities." For Don and his wife, Sharon, moving to Michigan is something of a homecoming: He is a native of Bay City and a University of Michigan alumnus who began his career in Michigan's auto industry, while Sharon is originally from Hudson. Taylor replaces Mike Ferin, who left the College in May for a position with the University of Indianapolis.



SECOND TO ONE, SAINTS COME HOME CHAMPS!

Fans of the Saints had every reason to shout themselves hoarse as their team rounded out the year with a record of excellent scoring and a tough defense. The entire team has shown outstanding talent, good sportsmanship, and commitment. To the Siena Heights Saints, we salute you!

Gov. John Engler, in a proclamation presented by State Representative Tim Walberg, March 19, 1997

You know it's good news when even the governor adds his cheer! The men's basketball team went to the NAIA Division II national tournament in Nampa, Idaho, in March, winning their way into a thrilling championship showdown against Bethel College (Indiana). The game was a heartbreaker, with the outcome in question until the last fraction of a second, when a Siena Heights ball rolled off the rim, giving Bethel the 95-94 win.

But as Coach Fred Smith put it at an enthusiastic 1:00 a.m. welcome home celebration in the Fieldhouse the night of the team's return, "We aren't losers. We just came in second, and second in the nation isn't bad. "We didn't bring home the championship trophy," he added, "but we brought home a team of champions." Cheers of support echoed that opinion. Siena Heights fans were delighted with the Saints' impressive runner-up trophy. Three players were named to the All-Tournament team: seniors JoeDettling



(Clinton) and Ryan Sanford (Hudson) and junior Byron Johnson (Detroit). Junior Anthony Staffney (Detroit) received the tournament Hustle Award. Hearty congratulations--and thanks for a great season--also go to: Andy Backus (DeWitt), Steve Bennett (Portage), Rob Camperlino (Carleton), Chadvis Carroll (Detroit), Sam Lofton (Adrian), Don Marcero (Carleton), Kiefer Oliver (Detroit), Roger Williams (Inkster) and

Daniel Winston (Romulus). The team finished the season with a 30-7 overall record. This marks the second time a Siena Heights College men's team has won 30 games in a season. The Saints' 1988-89 team had a 31-7 overall record.

Smith is happy as coach at successful Siena Heights

By David Goricki, The Detroit News

Note: The following story is excerpted from an article that originally appeared in The Detroit News and is reprinted by permission.

Fred Smith hasn't followed in the footsteps of former Siena Heights coach Ben Braun into big-time Division I college basketball, but he's happy with his life just the same.

Smith has reason to smile these days. He's healthy and his Saints earned

runner-up honors in the NAIA Division II National Tournament in Nampa, Idaho earlier this month.

Smith was Braun's assistant at Siena Heights from 1977 until 1985 when Braun left for Eastern Michigan. Smith took over as the Saints' head man and

has topped Braun's eight-year mark of 148-103 with an impressive 12-year record of 281-125, including nine 20-plus victory seasons.

Smith knows Braun's move to Division I -- where he is now coach at
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Once, Twice, Three Times a Winner!

Siena Heights has captured its third consecutive Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference "All-Sports" Trophy. The Saints posted a 3.96 average score in the annual league competition to edge runner-up Aquinas College (3.93). This year's final result was the closest in the five-year history of the WHAC All-Sports competition. Spring Arbor and Tri-State University tied for third place, Cornerstone College placed fifth and Concordia College was sixth. Siena won WHAC titles in half of the 14 league sports it competed in during 1996-97. As in the past two years, the SHC running programs dominated the league winning all six conference titles. The Saints also won a conference championship in men's basketball. Siena Heights placed second the first two years of the All-Sports competition (1993 and 1994), and has won the trophy ever since.

Spiegel, Malley Earn Roundball Recognition

Junior guard Jessica Spiegel of Deerfield and freshman center Bevin Malley of Sylvania, Ohio, won high honors in women's hoops this year: Spiegel was named to the NAIA women's basketball All-American Scholar-Athlete Team and Malley was named WHAC "Freshman of the Year" by the WHAC women's basketball coaches--the first Siena player to win the honor. Spiegel, a history major with a 3.72 grade point average, was second on this year's team in scoring (7.7) and set a single season Siena Heights record for three-point field goals with 66. She also owns the SHC career record for three-pointers after her third season with 147. Malley led the Saints in scoring (14.2) and rebounding (9.4) and was Siena's lone selection to this year's WHAC All-Conference Team. Malley's rebounding numbers ranked #1 among all WHAC players and she ranked #4 in scoring in the conference.

Spring Sports Boast Four Scholar-Athletes

Siena Heights had four NAIA All-American Scholar-Athletes this spring led by senior pitcher Justin Black of Garden City who had a 3.97 grade point average as an accounting major. The baseball player was named an outstanding student in the management division at this spring's Honors Convocation. In softball, junior pitcher Mariann Bauman of Ottawa Lake earned All-American Scholar-Athlete honors with a 3.66 grade point average as a child development major. In men's outdoor track and field, juniors John Liparoto of Petersburg and Brian Smith of Pittsford were two of only 40 NAIA men's track athletes named to the All-American Scholar Athlete team. Liparoto has a 3.61 grade point average as an English major and Smith has a 3.50 GPA majoring in biology.

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the University of California -- is the exception rather than the rule for NAIA coaches and is pleased to be coaching in his hometown of Adrian.

"This has been a wonderful place to work and we have a great tradition here," said Smith, whose Saints (30-7) advanced to the national finals for the first time in school history. "There have been some opportunities, but it would have to be a great one for me to move. I'm also the A.D. here and proud of what we've accomplished."

Smith was guiding the Saints in the NAIA Division I tournament three years ago when he noticed a lump on his neck. Doctors gave him a variety of tests and they informed him that he either had Hodgkin's Disease or lymphoma. He later received news that it was Hodgkin's, which is more treatable with a high cure rate if detected early.

"I'm a very lucky individual,"

Smith said. "Hodgkin's is very curable. Things have been going well for me. I've always been a big Michigan fan, but now I wear the cap with M for different reasons. They have great people at U-M hospital. I go for check-ups every three to six months."

And Smith has been just as happy with his life on the court. His Saints are now playing on a level playing surface in NAIA Division II -- they competed last year in NAIA Division I which allows teams 10-12 full-ride scholarships while the Saints have never had more than five.



Siena Heights College men's basketball coach Fred Smith has been named the 1997 Michigan Col-

legiate Coach-of-the-Year by the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan.

Smith will be honored at BCAM's awards banquet this fall at its annual clinic in Lansing. In the past four seasons, coach Fred Smith's teams have compiled a 99-38 (.723) record and have won more games than any

other

four-year college in the state.

Track Claims a National Champion, All-Americans

Four Saints earned All-America status and one captured an individual championship at the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Indoor Track and Field Championships in February. Junior runner Josh Wonders of Hudson became only the third NAIA national champion in Siena's track and field history by winning the men's 1000-meter run with an NAIA-record time of 2:24:48. Wonders went on to earn All-America honors in outdoor track and field, as well, placing sixth in the 800 meters. Joining Wonders for indoor All-America honors were juniors Jeff Marsh of Waldron and Tina Richards of East Jordan, and sophomore Jason Gurzynski of Sylvania, Ohio. Marsh was runner-up in the pentathlon, winning three of the five events: 55-meter hurdles, high jump and long jump. Richards placed third in the women's 1000-meter run, setting a school record at 2:57.80. Gurzynski finished sixth in the men's 800 meters.

Baseball Pitches Martines a Contract

Junior pitcher Jason Martines signed a professional baseball contract June 5 with the Arizona Diamondbacks. Martines, a righthanded pitcher from Jackson, was drafted in the 24th round by the MLB expansion club. Martines was 5-5 this season and was named WHAC Pitcher-of-the-Week twice. He tossed a one-hit shutout in a league win over Tri-State University in April. "Jason will be an excellent prospect for the Diamondbacks because he is going to get stronger and he's extremely coachable," said 10-year SHC coach Gordie Theisen. "He did it all for us on the field and now he can concentrate solely on pitching... He will do whatever it takes to be successful at the next level." Martines reported to the Diamondbacks' rookie camp in Lethbridge, Alberta, on June 9.

Two Spring Athletes Win All-America Mentions

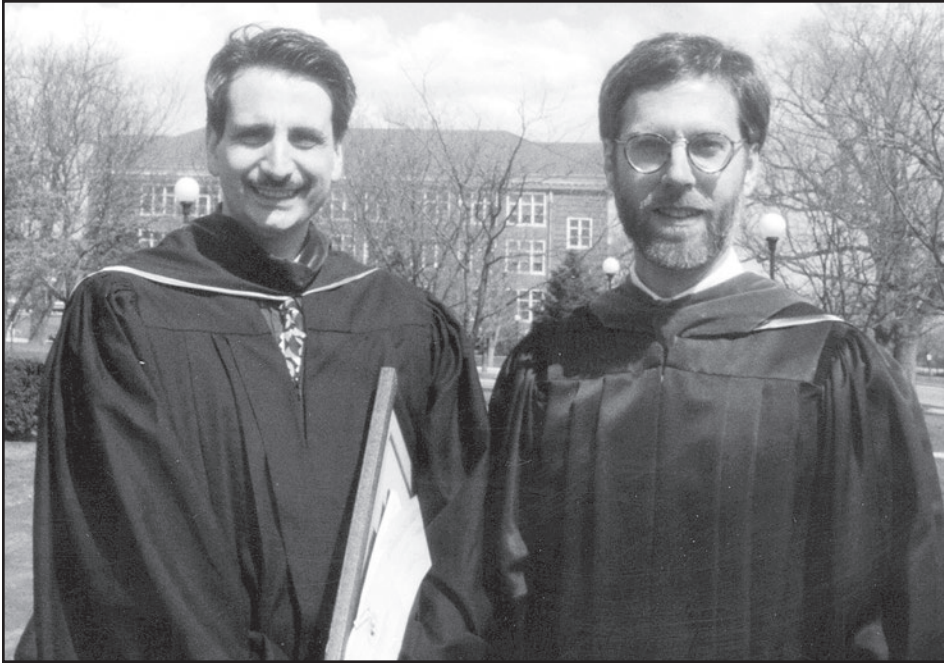
Senior centerfielder Josh Reeber of Carleton and sophomore thrower Sara Schaibly of Haslett were named to the 1997 NAIA honorable mention All-America teams in baseball and in outdoor track and field, respectively. Reeber, a two-time All-WHAC player, led the Saints in batting, runs scored and slugging percentage this season. Schaibly took eighth place in the hammer throw at the NAIA Outdoor Track and Field Championships in May, bettering her own school record in the event by over seven feet.

Gillin, Wonders are Emmet Winners

Women's soccer standout Amy Gillin of Adrian and men's track and field All-American Josh Wonders were this year's recipients of the Thomas A. Emmet Award, given annually to the top male and female junior scholar-athletes at Siena Heights. Gillin, a two-time All-WHAC forward who led the '96 Siants in scoring, is an art major with a 3.77 GPA. Wonders, a three-time NAIA All-American and 1000-meter indoor champion, carries a 3.23 GPA as a biology/chemistry major.



Indoor track and field All-Americans, from front to back: Tina Richards, Josh Wonders, Jeff Marsh and Jason Gurzynski. (Photo courtesy of The Daily Telegram)



DiPietro, Venner Named Outstanding Teachers

Mark DiPietro '83 (above left), assistant professor of theatre and communications, and Tom Venner, associate professor of art, received Siena's top teaching award, the "Sister Eileen K. Rice, OP, Award for Outstanding Teaching," at this year's Honors Convocation.

After graduating from Siena Heights, Mark DiPietro worked in radio in Adrian, earned his M.F.A. from Brandeis University, and worked as a professional actor. In 1994, he returned to Siena as a full-time faculty member. The teaching award honored DiPietro "for making class both educational and enjoyable through your narration of past theatre experiences, and for your helpful and honest advice; for your demonstration of your passion for the theatre and for your teaching--both in and out of the classroom; for your dedication to being with the students on stage and in the class; and finally, for not only expecting students to go beyond their best, but for expecting the same of yourself." DiPietro directed this year's campus productions of *A Shayna Maidel* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and the Crosswell Opera House summer musical, *Guys and Dolls*.

Tom Venner, head of Siena's ceramics program and chair of the Visual and Performing Arts and Education Division, is an Alma College graduate with an M.F.A. from Eastern Michigan. He has taught at Siena since 1979. The teaching award for Venner read, "In your dedication and vision for the performing arts and education division, your teaching is exemplary for both colleagues and students." He was honored for "your challenging and supporting role, and for your willingness to always take time out for students in the midst of the chaos of creativity; for your mild manner, patience and skills in the creative art of teaching, and for your holistic and supportive mentoring." This summer, Venner led a student group to France for the biannual Paris Study Program.

Faculty Receive Promotions

Seven members of the Siena Heights faculty have been granted promotions in academic rank effective with the new academic year, by vote of the Board of Trustees. The promotions were recommended to the Board by Academic

Dean Sharon Weber, OP, '69 and by the faculty's Rank and Promotion Committee.

Promoted from associate professor to *full professor* were: **Joe Bergman**, art, who has taught printmaking and graphics for 24 years and has overseen development of the computer graphics curriculum; **Tom Venner**, art, a 17-year faculty member who teaches ceramics, coordinates the art program and chairs the Division of Visual and Performing Arts and Education; and **John Wittersheim**, art, a metalsmith and sculptor who has taught since 1979.

Promoted from assistant to *associate professor* were: **Donna Kisner Baker '84**, accounting, a C.P.A. and seven-year faculty member who teaches in the accounting, business and computer programs and coordinates the accounting curriculum; **Bill Blackerby**, management, chair of the Management Division, interim dean of admissions in 1993-94, and an 18-year member of the faculty; **Trudy McSorley '71**, communication arts, director of the Child Drama Program, Sage Professor in Child Drama, and a Siena faculty member for 24 years; and **Marilee Purse**, hotel, restaurant and institutional management, a full-time faculty member for 22 years and coordinator of HRIM since 1975.

Author, Author!

• Oxford University Press in Canada recently published "Uncommon Wealth," an international anthology of poetry in English written over a period of 400 years by more than 400 authors, including **Saleem Peeradina**, associate professor of English at Siena. Beginning with Shakespeare, British, American and Canadian poetry is represented along with work by poets from Australia, Africa, South Asia, the Caribbean and indigenous communities. Peeradina's work also is featured in "Contours of the Heart: South Asians Map North

America,” a collection of fiction, poetry and essays published recently by the Asian American Writers’ Workshop in New York. The anthology explores the concept of home as a physical site in America and home as an emotional concept tied to an ancestral country; and focuses on the transformative experiences that lead individuals to declare or reject new forms of belonging in America.

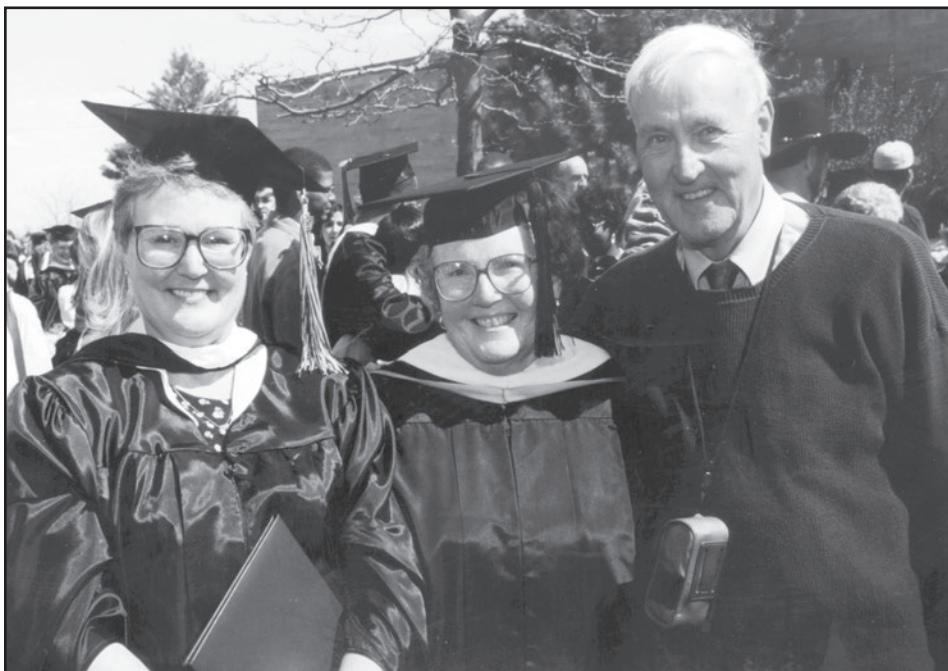
- Look for “A Second Aggiornamento,” an article on Catholic higher learning by **Dom Scibilia**, associate professor of religious studies, in an upcoming issue of *The New Theology Review*, a premier journal in Catholic theology and ministry.

- **Rebecca Miller**, assistant professor of chemistry, co-authored the article “Ultraslow nonequilibrium dynamics in supercooled glycerol by stimulated Brillouin gain spectroscopy” that appeared in the Feb. 22, 1997 issue of *The Journal of Chemical Physics* (Vol. 106, No. 8).

Retiring Profs Granted “Emeritus” Distinction

Three retiring teachers, who have spent a combined 58 years on the full-time teaching faculty, were granted the title “Professor Emeritus” by the Board of Trustees this spring. Jack Bologna, a member of the business administration and management faculty since 1984; Jim Hoitenga, a member of the business faculty since 1979; and Father David Van Horn, a member of the art department since 1970, all retired this year, taking with them the good wishes of the community-- and a big piece of Siena history.

Others who have been granted “Professor Emeritus” status in recent years are Jean Baker, Bernadette Pelland and Fran Westfall. Jean Baker, public services librarian and associate professor of instructional services, retired two years ago after 21 years at Siena. Bernie Pelland’s retirement last spring as associate professor of psychology, director of counseling services and associate dean of students, capped a 30 year career at Siena Heights; she opened the Counseling Center in 1976, and established the Wellness Center in 1993. Fran Westfall, who came to Siena in 1973, officially retired last spring as assistant professor of management and director of word processing services; but graciously returned this year to assist the computing center through the on-going transition to the CARS (now EdVanta) information management system. A complete list of emeriti professors named in the past decade appears below.



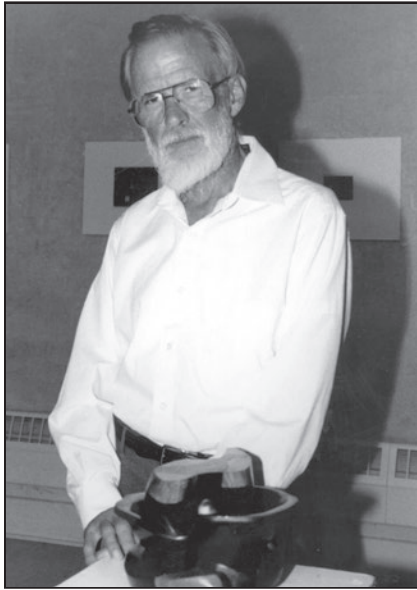
Professor emeritus Jean Baker (center) returned to campus to participate in commencement. She is shown here with her husband, Gaylord, and daughter Sarah Baker Korth '82, library circulation supervisor at Siena, who received her M.A. in human resource development in May.

Professors Emeriti

1987	Martha Manheim
1988	William (Buzz) Walzem
1989	Evangeline Davis, OP
1989	Jean Agnes Klemm, OP
1989	Jeannine Klemm, OP
1990	Helen Duggan, OP
1991	Miriam Michael Stimson, OP
1995	Jean S. Baker
1996	Bernadette A. Pelland
1997	Frances Kuthe Westfall
1997	Giacomo J. Bologna
1997	James Hoitenga
1997	David J. Van Horn, CPPS

David Van Horn: Siena's Beloved Architect of Art History

By Melissa Durbin '90



For over a quarter of a century, David Van Horn, C.P.P.S., has been a familiar face and strong presence on the Siena Heights campus in Adrian. On May 1, he turned in his final grade report and closed the door to his office in Studio Angelico. With his immediate plans still uncertain, Father Van Horn knew the time had come to retire as Professor of Art, a position that allowed him many exceptional opportunities.

"I came to Siena more than 25 years ago to teach art appreciation courses," he recalled in an interview. Back then, there were no art history courses offered, just a general survey course. "I started

every art history course here," he said with a twinkle in his eye.

Having the opportunity to develop Art History as a course of study was one of his most significant experiences at Siena Heights. "Jeannine (Sr. Jeannine Klemm, OP '44) let me start all those classes. She never questioned anything I wanted to do," Fr. Van Horn recalled appreciatively. At the time, there were only eight majors at the College--and business was not one of them. Nor was a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree offered.

"We've multiplied majors like you wouldn't believe," Fr. Van Horn observed. "People forget we didn't have a million courses back then. We only offered the essentials."

Fr. Van Horn arrived at Siena Heights just as it was becoming a co-ed institution. "It was a zoo, but what a stunning experiment it turned out to be," he said, movably touched by the many sensitivities found within the Siena Heights community. "The thing that I think is so very significant about Siena Heights College is addressed to women's issues. Everyone, male or female including the faculty, has a sensitivity to this.

"The moment you leave this campus, you realize this isn't the case everywhere," he added.

Fr. Van Horn's retirement marks the closing of a chapter of the College's history. During his tenure at Siena Heights, he saw many administrative enhancements as well as curricular changes. He witnessed the formation of the Board of Trustees. And he saw every lay student since the early 1970s.

Many of those students remain in touch with Siena's "father" of art history. He hears from many alumni and has performed dozens of weddings and baptisms for former students. When asked about all the students he has had contact with, Father smiles and says, "There are thousands."

All of whom wish you well, Father!

Van Horn and Bologna Place in Siena Heights

Two Siena Heights professors--who have been a presence among students, graduates, administrators, and faculty--retired from the teaching ranks of the College. A fond farewell to two giants of the faculty.

David J. Van Horn, C.P.P.S., was a presence on the art department from 1970 to the present. His students speak of his passion for art history. His colleagues speak of his inspiration as a role model for teaching. His artistic peers speak of his mastery of technique, sophisticated presentation, and spiritual creativity. His work at Siena Heights throughout the past 30 years has had a significant impact on the quality of teaching within the art department and the College, on the depth and breadth of faculty thought about general education, on institutional expectations of professionalism from both our faculty and our students, and on the spirituality of our community.

Giacomo (Jack) Bologna has been a full-time member of the business administration and management department since 1970.

"Father David Van Horn and Jack Bologna have been a presence among students and faculty. In addition, they both have played a significant role because they were among the first generation of business administrators at Siena Heights College."

"In the early 1970s, as the Adrian Dominican Sisters opened Siena Heights, a co-educational institution staffed by large numbers of students sought individuals--men and women--who could provide leadership for the College and of the Congregation.

"In David and Jack, the Congregation and the College found many others have sought to emulate. Both David and Jack were Outstanding Teacher of the Year and David was also Teacher of the Year in the State of Michigan.

"But David and Jack mean far more than their professional accomplishments. They have given much of their moral integrity to the College. When asked, 'What's the best way to live my life?' David answered this question through their professional accomplishments.

"The Siena community will miss David and Jack, but their legacy will live on."

--Robert Gordon, Dean of Graduate Studies

Bologna Hold a Special Hearts and History

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... in Adrian. Recognized as one of the world's leading
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... he has written several books and dozens of articles.
... He has been honored by the Association of Certified
... Fraud Examiners with both a 1995 Lifetime Achieve-
... ment Award and the 1996 Donald R. Cressey Award
... for contributions to the field of white collar crime
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Jack Bologna: Students and Colleagues Recall a Mentor and Friend



"Dr. Bologna was one of my favorite professors. I was a non-traditional student, so most of my classes were in the evening. As anyone who has taken evening classes knows, three hours with a boring professor after a full day of work can seem like forever. I must confess my first impression of Dr. Bologna on my first night in his class was, 'This could be slow.' But his dry wit, coupled with an immense real world understanding of his subject, carried the day. I looked forward to his classes and learned a lot, both about business and about life. Best wishes to Dr. Bologna in his retirement; he will be a fond part of my Siena memories."

Tracy Church '93

"Jack is a treasure--a scholar, a dear friend, a teacher's teacher."

Bill Blackerby, Business Faculty

"Jack was a rarity at Siena Heights, or any school like Siena Heights: He was a genuine researcher who was also a genuinely top-flight teacher. The research and creativity Jack brought to his publications were actually purchased and used as opposed to being buried in the usual refereed journals. I am sorry Jack did not join our faculty many years before he did."

Chuck Milliken, Business Faculty

"I had the good fortune to have Jack as an instructor twice during the pursuit of my undergraduate degree--once on the Southfield campus in a classroom of non-traditional students and once in Adrian with mostly traditional-aged students. It is difficult to put into words the impact he had in the classroom. Jack could lead students away from a thought process that may have gone awry without implying that the student's thoughts were wrong--only that those thoughts were, perhaps, incomplete. In the nurturing environment he created, students of all ages were compelled to think critically about difficult issues. He truly assisted students in becoming more competent, purposeful and ethical."

Mary Jane Borton Dopp '96

"I'll always remember how willing Jack was to share ideas about a course we both loved teaching--Strategic Management. He was always encouraging. Jack provided me with insights about business cases through comments that seemed so effortless but which, I know, reflected a lot of hard work on his part."

Jim Hoytenga, Business Faculty

Human Services Revision Reflects Social Change

The recent reorganization of the human services curriculum on the Adrian campus reflects the “changing dynamics of society,” according to Dr. Tom Radecki, chair of the former Human Services Division, newly renamed the Social and Behavioral Science Division.

The curricular revisions follow nearly two years of faculty discussion and study. The key feature of the plan is the change to three separate academic majors--psychology, criminal justice, and human services/social work--rather

than the single “umbrella” human services major. Minors in political science and behavioral science also have been added, and the public administration concentration has been eliminated.

“Students have desired separate majors for some time,” Radecki said. “This was the time to make a change in their interest.

“Overall, the new program is more responsive to student career interests and better supports our mission to make students more competent, purposeful

and ethical,” he added. “Our graduates will be better prepared for professional contributions to society.”

The new criminal justice program, for example, allows students to choose either a law enforcement or corrections track within the major, depending on individual career goals.

The Social and Behavioral Science Division is made up of three academic departments offering a variety of baccalaureate and associate degree programs on the Adrian campus, as outlined below:

Department of Psychology and Gerontology

Bachelor's Degree

Major: Psychology
Minors: Psychology
Gerontology
Behavioral Science

Associate's Degree

Majors: Psychology
Gerontology

Department of Human Services/Social Work and Sociology

Bachelor's Degree

Major: Human Services/Social Work
Minors: Human Services/Social Work
Sociology

Associate's Degree

Major: Human Services/Social Work

Department of Criminal Justice and Political Science

Bachelor's Degree

Major: Criminal Justice
Minors: Criminal Justice
Political Science

Associate's Degree

Major: Criminal Justice

Gerontology Studies Increase with Aging Population

By Dorothy Cunningham

Note: The following story is excerpted from an article that originally appeared in the April 13, 1997, edition of the Jackson Citizen Patriot, and is reprinted by permission.

In any line of work, it's smart to know your clientele. That was important to Kathy F. Manning, of Clayton, who has been taking classes in gerontology at Siena Heights College, hoping to better relate to the nuns of the Adrian Dominican Sisters, by whom she is employed.

“The average age of the congregation is 65, and the classes I have taken give me a better understanding of the sisters' attitudes and needs,” said Manning, who deals with medical bills and Social Security matters for the Dominicans.

Gerontology, the study of the processes of aging, has not been a major emphasis in colleges and universities . . . But it is growing in importance as the U.S. population ages.

The U.S. Census Bureau predicts that the 65-and-older population will grow from 1 in 8 Americans now, to 1 in 6 by 2020 and 1 in 5 by 2050. And the fastest growing segment of the population will be the over-85 group, which will number 7 million by 2020, more than double today's over-85 population.

There are many and varied work opportunities in the field, according to Whit Hames, associate professor of psychology and director of the two-year, associate degree program in gerontology at Siena Heights.

“When we took a look at this five or six years ago, we had two ways to go. Many programs are strictly theoretical, dealing

with collecting data, but ours is a ‘hands on’ program. We do the theoretical stuff in class, but we're more focused on getting someone a job,” Hames said.

Current Siena students, many of whom are older, nontraditional students, are currently working in nursing homes, delivering meals to the homebound, or doing other volunteer work with the aged getting practical experience in the field. Several graduates of the two-year degree program have gone on to administrative jobs in retirement communities or nursing homes.

Social workers make up the majority of Kathy Manning's classmates, but an increasing number of business majors are taking gerontology as a college minor.

“It makes good sense,” said Tom MacNaughton, director of the Lenawee County Department on Aging, who teaches an introductory course at Siena. “The older population controls half of the wealth in this country, and the person who doesn't recognize that misses a big portion of our society.”

In his classes, MacNaughton talks about the positive aspects of aging, and brings in panels of older people to prove that traditional stereotypes are not necessarily true.

“There is a huge wave of seniors coming. There is no doubt that the need is there, and taking even a few courses is going to make job candidates look more attractive and give them a head start on finding a good job,” Hames said.

1930s

Reunion Reminder:
Class of 1937 -- 60th Reunion
 October 24-26, 1997

Magdalen Therese Peplin, OP '38 gave a harmonica concert at the Lenawee County Fair last August. Since then she has performed at a variety of churches and other locations in the Adrian area.

Virginia Rose Johnston '39 is living in Boca Raton, Fla.

1940s

Reunion Reminder:
Class of 1942 -- 55th Reunion
Class of 1947 -- 50th Reunion
 October 24-26, 1997

Mary Alice Francis McCarthy, who attended Siena for one year in 1941, is living in Elk Rapids.

Maris Stella Beaufait, OP '45 was one of several recipients of the Spirit of Detroit Awards for her volunteer tutoring at the Dominican Literacy Center.

Nadine Foley, OP '45 has an article, "The Ambiguity of Religious Life: Does It Evolve?" published in the January-February 1997 issue of *Review for Religious*.

Lois Spear, OP '46 had two articles published recently, one in *Sisters Today* titled "Life After Retirement" and another in the *National Catholic Reporter* titled "Marian Apparitions Meet Ancient Need."

Julie Sullivan, OP '47 has been appointed HIV/AIDS Ministry Coordinator for the Diocese of Orlando, Fla.

Ann Tompert '38 Children's Book Writer Receives Outstanding Alumni Award

"Once upon a time..." With those words, appropriately, Sister Helen Duggan '41 began her introduction of Ann Tompert '38, whose accomplishments as the successful author of almost 40 children's books earned her Siena Heights' 1996-97 Outstanding Alumni Award.

"Once upon a time, when Siena Heights was still known as St. Joseph College," Sister Helen said, there were two groups of women studying in the classrooms of Sacred Heart Hall: One group, which included the young Anna Mae Bakeman, wore blue uniforms and lived in the residence hall or commuted from nearby. The other group, of which Sister Helen was a part, were postulants (candidates for the Adrian Dominican Congregation). "The two groups were classmates but did not ordinarily mingle," Sister Helen said. "However, as fellow classmates, we knew one another's names." Fifty-plus years later, Anna Mae Bakeman Tompert and Sister Helen rediscovered each other, found they share the same birthday, and developed the lively friendship (shown left) that was impossible in their college days.



friendly reunion as well as a celebration of Ann's outstanding professional accomplishments.

The Outstanding Alumni Award citation, presented at a mid-day luncheon, recognizes Ann's "outstanding achievements as an educator, an author of fine books for children, and a literary explorer of diverse cultures." Comparing her to the characters in her stories, the citation describes Ann as "an original thinker and creative problem solver whose life has been shaped by faith, determination and an endless fascination with the world around her. She exemplifies the values and spirit of Siena Heights Col-

lege and is a worthy role model for today's Siena students."

During her day-long visit to the campus, Ann met with a children's literature class (shown above), discussed writing and publishing as a featured "English Forum" speaker, and signed books.

Ann taught English for 20 years before deciding, at age 40, to pursue her dream of being a writer. It was three years before she sold her first story to the children's magazine, *Jack and Jill*. "Getting my work published has never been easy," she told aspiring writers at Siena Heights; nonetheless, the list of her published children's books grows longer each year.

Her three most recent titles are *A Carol for Christmas* (1995), *The Jade Horse, the Cricket and the Peach Stone* (1996) and *How Rabbit Lost His Tail* (1997). A child's biography of St. Patrick is in the publication pipeline, and Ann is at work on a manuscript introducing children to Joan of Arc.

Ann lives in Port Huron with her husband, Robert.



1950s

Reunion Reminder:

Class of 1952 -- 45th Reunion

Class of 1957 -- 40th Reunion

October 24-26, 1997

Joyce Elaine Jacobi Gohl '53 recently moved from Toledo, Ohio, to Sun City, Ariz.

Shirley Heymes, OP '53 and **Joellen Reis, OP '54** were among those who received Spirit of Detroit Awards recently for their volunteer tutoring at the Dominican Literacy Center.

Marcine Klemm, OP '55, who with Mary Philip Ryan, OP, played a key role in the establishment 31 years ago of the Congregation of Dominican Sisters of Our Lady of Remedies in San Fernando, Pampaga, in the Philippines, had an opportunity to meet with Filipino Archbishop Paciano Aniceto during the Archbishop's recent visit to the Adrian Dominican Sisters.

Joan Chopp Scheuermann '53 is busy writing songs: country, gospel, ballads. Her "Standing Hollow" was scheduled to be released in May by Tin Pan Alley Records. "Great fun!" she reports from Pleasant Ridge, where she lives with her husband, Robert.

Gloria Lerro, OP '55 is living in Santa Cruz, Cal.

Patricia DeMay, OP '56 was recognized recently as a trustee professor by the University of West Alabama for her outstanding achievement in scholarship, teaching and leadership.

Patricia Lynch, OP '56 had an oil painting, "Tranquility of a Sunset," exhibited at the Michigan State Fair.

Jeanne O'Laughlin, OP '58, president of Barry University in Florida, received the 1996 American Award from the Knights of Columbus, Marian Council and Marian Assembly; the award is given for American spirit and love of country. She also received the 1997 St. Martin de Porres Award from the Southern Dominican Province of St. Martin de Porres for "bringing the spirit of St. Martin de Porres to bear in the Miami area...building bridges between the rich and the poor and the wide multicultural spectrum found in the metropolitan area."

Marie Boger Brink '59 is recovering from a mild stroke suffered this past November. She is retired and lives in Adrian.

Pat Walter, OP '66 Prioress Receives Siena's St. Dominic Award



Pat Walter with her niece, Sarah Fligelman '00.

Patricia Walter, OP '66 was honored March 20 with the Alumni Association's Saint Dominic Award. The citation, presented at the Alumni Award Recognition luncheon, recognized her "significant contributions to Christian education: as an accomplished high school and college teacher, an influential leader in higher education, a respected scholar of theology, and, since 1992, as Prioress of the Adrian Dominican Sisters, founders of Siena Heights College."

As Judy Lavelle '58, a prior St. Dominic awardee, noted in her introduction of Sister Pat, the award honors "commitment to Christian

education in the family, school or community." Pat Walter's commitment is amply reflected in her own three advanced degrees in theology, leadership involvement with six schools and colleges, and classroom teaching experience at four Christian institutions including three years at Siena Heights in the 1970s.

"I do love teaching, especially theology," she said in an earlier interview. "There's something very rewarding about working with a group of individuals to help them make meaning out of their experience or find a language for their experience, to make sense of life within a faith context or tradition."

At the college level, almost everyone has some kind of belief system, she said, and as a teacher her goal is to "help students articulate their value systems." Teaching is not about seeking converts, she said, but rather enabling students to ask "How have I found meaning in life?" and "Is there any value for me in the great Christian traditions?"

Helping people explore ultimate questions about the meaning of life and how to be happy in the world is "a very appealing way of life," she added. Her most recent assignment as Prioress of the Adrian Dominican Congregation has many similarities to teaching, she said, "but more administrative work than ever before!"

As part of Alumni Award Recognition Day, Sister Pat returned to the joys of the

classroom as a guest speaker in Pat Schnapp's GEN 401 seminar and Susan Conley Weeks' class, "Values in Video."

"I thoroughly enjoyed teaching again," she said.



1960s

Reunion Reminder:

Class of 1962 -- 35th Reunion

Class of 1967 -- 30th Reunion

October 24-26, 1997

Maureen Fay, OP '60, president of the University of Detroit Mercy, recently was elected a director of the Growth Corp. in Detroit. She also serves on the boards of the Economic Club of Detroit, Greater Detroit Interfaith Roundtable, Michigan's Children and the United Way for Southeastern Michigan.

Jo Gaugier, OP '60, director of lay ministry formation for the Diocese of Saginaw, has been elected to a three-year term on the Siena Heights College Board of Trustees. Jo was honored recently by the National Association for Lay Ministry with the coveted Annual NALM Tribute, given for significant contributions to the development of lay ministry.

Ann Mrugala, OP '62 had her ink drawing, "Who Do You Say That I Am," and her sculpture, "The Nagasaki Cross," featured recently at the Invitational Sacred Arts Exhibition at Chicago's Worthington Gallery.

Mary Alan Stuart, OP '62 has been appointed to the board of directors of the Greater Lexington (Ky.) Division of the American Heart Association. She is a registered dietician for the Appalachian Outreach Program of St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington.

Rosemary Sivak Swick '63, who has taught art at a variety of museums and schools in Europe and the U.S., now has her own graphics business at her home in St. Paul, Minn. Rosemary, who is the grandniece of Adrian Dominican founder Mother Gerald Barry, keeps in touch regularly with Siena friends and remembers that "the internationalization of Siena was very important to us."

Sister Maria Pacis Pearce '65 now lives in Tampa, Fla.

Janet Schaeffler, OP '65, director of religious education and adult faith formation at St. Paul Parish in Grosse Point Farms, was nominated as one of the 25 most influential individuals in Catholic education over the past 25 years by the publication, *Today's Catholic Teacher*. She has taught in Catholic schools in Las Vegas, Shaker Heights, Romeo and Detroit, and has been an adjunct professor at Sacred Heart Major Seminary and St. Mary's College. She has conducted hundreds of workshops on religious educa-

tion throughout the country, and is the author of many articles, curriculum materials and professional assessment tools in the field of religious education. Before joining St. Paul Parish in 1991, she was director of religious education and adult faith formation at St. Philomena Parish in Detroit and St. Edmund Parish in Warren.

Susan VanBaalen, OP '65 is the first woman ever to be appointed Chief of Chaplains in the Federal Bureau of Prisons (which number 85).

Jean Leppek Nichols '66 resides in Rosedale, Cal.

Mary Ann Dixon, OP '67 was elected president of the Detroit Society of Catechetical Leaders. She also serves on several Detroit Archdiocesan committees for catechesis.

Gerie Stanko '67 lives in Avon, Conn., where she is owner, president and CEO of Accradata, an information processing center for the consumer manufacturing promotion industry. Highlights of the 30 years since she graduated? "Flying license, EMT certified, literacy volunteer, travel, hundreds of employees, rewards of long hours and quality work -- and a little time to smell the roses, see the invisible and try the impossible."

Eileen Sullivan, OP '69, principal at Pope John Paul II High School in Boca Raton, Fla., has been recognized as a Woman of Distinction in Education by the Soroptimist Club. She was honored for working to ensure that her school environment is safe, for fostering excellence and for encouraging community service.

1970s

Reunion Reminder:

Class of 1972 -- 25th Reunion

Class of 1977 -- 20th Reunion

October 24-26, 1997

Carl Morton '71 has made a right-angle career turn after 15 years as president of a New York fashion house, leaving the industry to return to school as a student at New York University, studying art, French and creative writing. The idea of returning to academia was born during his visit to Siena Heights in April 1996, he wrote recently, and now, "I am experiencing each day with more bright-eyed enthusiasm than any in recent memory. I know not where this leads, which is an exciting road to be on."

Maureen Toplisek Hall '72 is director of religious education at Our Lady of the Valley Parish and San Martin Mission in Green Valley, Ariz. Her husband, Don, serves as youth minister.

Cathy Bairley Bruins '72 is living in Las Vegas, Nev.

David Ballenberger '72, executive director of the Rose Hill psychiatric treatment and rehabilitation center in Holly, returned to campus in March for this year's Alumni Award Recognition Day. A past recipient of the Alumni Association's Sister Ann Joachim Award, David spoke to a Siena social work class during his visit. David and his wife, Theresa, are parents of 17-year-old twins, Emily and Jessica.

John DeLine '73/MA, administrator at Lenawee Christian School in Adrian from 1985 to 1996, accepted a new position last fall as superintendent of the Tekonsha Public Schools.

Ceal Schwartz '73 of Adrian works at Garfield Elementary School and was selected as a member of "Who's Who of America's Teachers" for 1996.

Mary Shelle Baglia '73 has a new home in Plantation, Fla.

Sheryl Phillips DuMont '74 is a CPA for the accounting firm of Gross, Puckey, Gruel and Roof in Adrian. She also teaches at Siena Heights as an adjunct faculty member.

Terry Fleetham '74/MA of Jonesville retired recently after 32 years with the public schools. His first 25 years were spent at Jonesville High School, as a teacher, coach, class advisor, counselor, and assistant principal. He was principal of the Jonesville Elementary School for the past five years.

Margaret Scholz Noe '75, an Adrian attorney, also is an adjunct faculty member at Siena, teaching classes in criminal justice and business law.

Gail West Dotson '77 recently was promoted to commander of the state police post in Jonesville. Lt. Dobson's past experience with the state police includes working undercover in narcotics for three years and heading the Office of Monroe Narcotics Investigation Team 3, covering all of Hillsdale and Lenawee counties.

Linda M. Woodby Smith '77 ('83/MA) is currently director of counseling services at Jacksonville (Fla.) University.

Philip Abele '79 reports he is working toward his third master's degree, currently taking courses at Madonna University. He recently received the "Angeleri Quality Award" from Madonna's School of Business, recognizing significant student contributions to the field of quality. Phil also works with Siena's Metropolitan Detroit Program, where he has been a member of the Advisory Council for several years. "I wear my Siena heritage proudly and continue to extol the virtues of that truly wonderful community of people.

Russell Amo '79 of Adrian has been named business relationship manager at KeyBank, in charge of managing existing business accounts and generating new business relationships in Lenawee County. He also serves on the board of the Lenawee Humane Society.

1980s

Reunion Reminder:
Class of 1982 -- 15th Reunion
Class of 1987 -- 10th Reunion
October 24-26, 1997

John Borton '81 is coauthor (with Paul Dodd) of the recently released "Wolverines Handbook: Stories, Stats and Stuff About Michigan Football" (Wichita Eagle and Beacon Publishing Company, 1996). The 158-page book is just what it says: a compendium of facts, firsts, faces, anecdotes and quiz questions covering everything you ever wanted to know, and much you never thought to ask, about the history of football at the University of Michigan. John, a former sports writer and commentator with the Adrian area media, has been editor since 1991 of *The Wolverine*, a magazine about Michigan athletics published 25 times a year in Ann Arbor. He lives at Lake Somerset with his wife Darlene and two children, Benjamin (4) and Courtney (2). The "Wolverines Handbook" is available for \$9.95 plus tax and shipping; call 1-800-421-7751.

Norma Jean Schroeder '81 is a hospital and nursing home inspector for the California Department of Health Services. She lives in Hayward, Cal., and was recently elected to the board of directors of Eden Medical Center, a district medical center located in Castro Valley serving four metropolitan cities.

Bill Mullaly '81 began work last fall as director of alternative education in Homer. He defines alternative education as a necessary second chance, "another opportunity for high school students to get a high school

education," he told the Homer Index. "The program is for students who, for whatever reason, were not able to work things out at their former high school. It's good for the students and the community." Bill returned to Michigan after spending 15 years in Arizona, teaching social studies, writing for the local paper, and coaching football, basketball and softball -- and taking his softball team to back-to-back state championships.

Nanette Hinkley Kennedy '81 of Jackson, a custom jewelry designer and owner of Nanettes' Custom Design Jewelry at the Summit Oaks Mall, recently was named to the 1996-97 Who's Who in Executives and Professionals. In her shop, she sells one-of-a-kind sculptured metal jewelry, her own and "some really good things by other artists." Nanette is married to independent developer and architect Jon Michael Kennedy, who designed the Summit Oaks Mall, the Hunt Club and other Jackson buildings. They have three children, Chapin (10), Jayde (9) and Jon-West (3).

Margaret Lawler Michael '82 ('85/MA) and her husband, Tim, of Cranberry Twp., Penn., welcomed their second child, Scott, in February 1996. Margaret recently left a department head position at Carnegie Mellon University to assume a guidance counselor position at a school near Pittsburgh. She is thrilled that she'll now have more time at home with her kids.

David Richards '82 lives in Marine City where he has been City Manager since last August. He and his wife, Nancy, have three children, Christopher (15), Sarah (10) and Blair (9). In an article in the *Blue Water Voice* newspaper, David said of his job, "There's nothing more rewarding than being part of a group of people working together."

Lori Skocelas Wagoner '83 is busy raising two children, Amanda (7) and Justin (4), in Canton where she lives with her husband, Jeff, an investment manager in vehicle operations for Ford Motor Co. Lori is active in her children's school and as a volunteer with adult day care for Alzheimer's patients.

Connie Farver '83 of Adrian has been elected a new member of the Siena Heights College Board of Trustees.

Chris Tucker '84 and his wife, Tracey, live in Grove City, Ohio. He writes: "After 12 years with GM/Saturn Corp., Tracey and I and our bulldog, Beulah Mae, moved to Columbus, Ohio, in the spring of 1994 when I accepted the position of human resource director for Prier Autoglass Corporation, an aftermarket supplier of automotive glass worldwide. In August 1996, I accepted an

offer from Honda of America Manufacturing, Inc. As a staff administrator, I am now responsible for various employee relations and strategic business planning/TQM activities. Honda of America is headquartered in Marysville, Ohio, and has four manufacturing facilities in central Ohio, employing about 12,000 people."

Gary Dumenev '85 recently was named deputy chief of police for the City of Woodhaven in Wayne County. A police officer for 28 years, he has been chief of police in Dowagiac in southwest Michigan since 1994.

Gregg Milligan '85 of Westland is director of systems engineering for Deloitte & Touche, in charge of all information systems engineering for the D&T Michigan practice offices.

Mary Boylan Reisinger '85 works for General Motors and writes from New Bloomfield, Penn.: "I took a transfer to marry the love in my life. We are living happily in his country hometown, with his three children, in a gorgeous home that he designed and built himself." Mary and her husband, Richard, who works for Triple C Marketing, were married at a waterfront ceremony on Ina Island off Alexandria Bay, N.Y.

Maura Cady '86 of Plymouth is gathering memories of the J.L. Hudson Company on Woodward Avenue in Detroit to be compiled into a pictorial and anecdotal book about the heyday of the grand old department store. "It was common to leave one's problems at the Woodward Avenue entrance before stepping into the elegance that awaited those who worked, shopped and daydreamed there," says Maura, a native Detroitier who always has been fascinated by Hudson's, a place where "every day was a holiday." The book idea was prompted by plans to demolish the 25-story building, which closed in 1983. The project has put Maura on the trail of private citizens, public notables and former Hudson's employees--anyone willing to share their recollections and/or photos. "No experiences are too large or too small to contribute," she says. Send your Hudson's memories to Maura at P.O. Box 5315, Plymouth, MI 48170-5315. Maura, who is circulation director and occasional columnist for *The Community Crier* newspaper, also produces the nationally syndicated home improvement radio show, "Ask the Handyman," on Westwood One Radio in conjunction with WXYT-AM. The broadcast is heard each weekend on more than 100 radio stations coast to coast. She has worked on the show since 1986.

Judy Gust '86 is president of ADR Ser-

vices in San Diego, Cal., a dispute resolution business she started in 1996. She finds most satisfying the role of “neutral peace-maker as an alternative to litigation.”

John White '87 recently opened his own podiatrist office in Cross Lanes, W. Vir., having received a DPM from the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine and completed a surgical residency at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

Elizabeth Faz Cote '87 is a juvenile probation officer in Adrian where she and her husband, Mark, live with their two daughters, Christina (2) and Nicole Elizabeth, born in November.

Marcia McNulty Barnhart '87/AFA lives in Toledo, Ohio. She and her husband, Tim, welcomed their first child, son Sean Patrick, in September 1995.

Christina Lawrence '87 (Southfield) of St. Clair Shores was crowned “Ms. America Mom” in Orlando, Fla., in 1996, the first winner of a new national pageant sponsored by Child Watch of North America, an organization dedicated to the welfare of children. The pageant highlights women of grace, beauty and talent over the age of 40 demonstrating great devotion to family, children and community, according to an article in the Macomb Daily. As Ms. America Mom, Christina represents Child Watch at parades, speaking engagements and other events. A naturalized U.S. citizen who grew up in poverty in Berlin during the Communist siege, Christina works as an administrative assistant for an automotive supply company in Troy and dances in the annual Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra holiday performance of the Nutcracker. She and her husband, George, have two grown sons.

Pat Moburg Helton '87/MA received the Athena Award from the Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce, in recognition of her contributions as a woman in business. In addition to brokering for her husband's real estate business (Don Helton Realtors-Better Homes and Gardens), Pat is a licensed therapist and previously established the Helton Center for Personal Counseling in Hillsdale.

Jacqueline Battalora '88 has moved from Dallas, Tex., to the “windy city” of Chicago.

Judy Britsch '88 teaches third grade at Addison Elementary School in an inclusion classroom which keeps special education children in with other third graders. One of the highlights of the class is the way students work together, Judy told the Brooklyn

Patrick Irwin '86

Community Leader Honored with Recent Alumni Award

Pat Irwin '86 of Dearborn was honored March 20 as the recipient of the Alumni Association's 1996-97 Recent Alumni Award, “in recognition of the Christian values and Siena spirit that have led him to combine career success with an unwavering commitment to his community.” Pat, who works full time as manager of corporate labor relations with the Henry Ford Health Systems, is also a dedicated track coach and mentor at Detroit Holy Redeemer High School. His commitment to “giving back” to the inner-city neighborhood of his youth “has resulted in better lives and brighter opportunities for dozens of young men and women,” notes the Alumni Association citation for the award.

Introducing Pat at the Alumni Award Recognition Day luncheon, business professor Chuck Milliken recalled that Pat showed the spark of leadership early as a key founding father of the Pi Lambda Phi fraternity at Siena Heights. Years later, when he saw that the city schools were not doing a good enough job in southwest Detroit, that same entrepreneurial spirit led Pat to start the Cesar Chavez charter school. “It's better to light a candle than curse the darkness,” Professor Milliken said. “Pat starts bonfires.”

In his remarks, Pat spoke eloquently



about the impact of Siena Heights and the Adrian Dominicans on his life, and the importance of ethics and compassion in responding to the challenges of contemporary society. Pat is guided daily, he said, by the rosary he carries in his pocket—a gift long ago from Sister Carmelia “Carmie” O'Connor.

While on campus, Pat spoke to classes in marketing and strategic management, met with Siena Heights coaches and athletes, helped three Holy Redeemer students tour the Siena campus, visited with two of his Holy Redeemer proteges who now attend Siena, and reconnected with his fraternity.



Exponent. "A higher-ability student is able to help a lower-ability student.... I think all the students are encouraged by it."

Francine Parker '88 (Southfield) is senior vice president and chief operating officer with Health Alliance Plan in Detroit, and was featured in Crain's Detroit Business as one of the area's top "women of influence." According to Crain's, Francine serves on the boards of the New Center Area Council, Core City Neighborhoods, Central Detroit Business Association, Michigan Neighborhood Partnerships, Alternatives for Girls, and Business Volunteers for the Arts.

Debi Roberts '88 ('92/MA) has been flying high--literally--as principal of Madison Elementary School in Adrian. After she and the Madison elementary teachers adopted "Jump into Reading" as the slogan for their March reading promotion, Debi told the 500 students that if they read 2,000 books, she would jump out of an airplane at 10,000 feet. And she did, on March 24, floating to the ground with a tandem skydiving instructor. "I'm so proud of you," she told the Madison students once she was safely back on earth. "One of the most important things to remember is that you had a really hard goal to meet, and you met that goal with a lot of hard work." The motivational theme worked: The children had read 3,223 books, well over the 2,000 goal, by jump day. This is Debi's first year at Madison; last year, as elementary principal in Waldron, she spent a day on the school roof in full scuba gear (she's an experienced diver) to promote student reading. The question arises: What's next?!

Amy Davis '88 is executive director of Work Shirts Writing Center in Chicago, a non-profit literary arts center. She also is editor-in-chief of Fish Stories, a national literary magazine which will release its third annual issue in August.

Helen "Cassie" Chamberlain Veselovsky '88 is living "down under": She moved to Brisbane, Australia, and was married March 10, 1997 to Paul Veselovsky. She is looking for a librarian position, having received a master's in library science from the University of Michigan in 1994.

Abigail Harju LaLonde '89 lives in St. Ignace with her husband, Brett. Their first child, daughter Rebecca Louise, was a year old this spring.

Rebecca King Roehm '89 has been employed at the University of Michigan Department of Biology since graduation. As an administrative assistant II, she maintains departmental financial paperwork and ac-

counts, purchasing, travel/hosting, and payroll/employment. Rebecca married Charles Roehm of Saline in December 1995 and became a first-time Mom in January 1997 with the birth of son Adam Louell. Charles, who works at UM-Biology as an instrument maker II, also maintains a livestock and agricultural farm with his father.

Todd '88 and Stacy Goodrich Miletta '90 are living in Royal Oak with their daughter, Erica Tarryn, born in November.

1990s

Reunion Reminder:
Class of 1992 -- 5th Reunion
October 24-26, 1997

Jack McGurk '90 ('92/MA) works at the Maurice Spear Campus in Adrian. Jack and **Renee Lerch McGurk '96** had a "very Siena" wedding this past September, with alumni attendants **John Russo '90, Steve Hornyak '90, Dave Bonino '91, Mark Bayliss '93 and Tony McGurk '94.**

Brett Loomis '90 is a program manager for Talon Automotive Group's G&L Industries, Inc., a supplier of automotive interior trim products with offices in Chesterfield. He lives in Southfield with his wife, Jennifer, a senior claim representative with State Farm Insurance. Brett and Jennifer (an MSU alumna) were married in September.

Melissa Durbin '90 began work recently as coordinator of art in public places for the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo. She also teaches humanities at Jackson Community College.

Lori List '91 of Ferndale, a teacher with the Southfield Public Schools, recently presented a paper at the Michigan Department of Teachers of English annual conference. She currently supervises a student teacher from Madonna University.

Mary Mead-Loring Stump '91/MA of Horton is an infant mental health specialist with Early Head Start in Jackson, a job she loves where she "even works with SHC alumni!" She married Michael Stump in 1992. Son Christopher is studying aeronautical sciences in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Luis Vasquez '91/MA lives in Cleveland, Ohio. As director of CASA ALMA, he is working to improve the lives of Latinos in Michigan and Ohio.

Shelly VerderVeen '91 of Ontario, Cal., was named "Officer of the Year" in her

police department for 1996. Shelly is a Los Angeles County police officer.

Gloria Faz '92, director of food services at Siena Heights for 13 years, left the college in January for another assignment with the Fine Host company in Toledo.

Robert Gordon '92 of Clinton Township recently reviewed the book, "Environmentalism and Economic Justice: Two Chicano Struggles in the Southwest" by Laura Pulido (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 1996); the review appeared in the winter issue of The Journal of Environmental History. Robert is a Ph.D. candidate specializing in labor and environmental history at Wayne State University. His dissertation is titled "Reproducing the Workplace: Labor, Community, and Environmental Coalitions in the 1970s."

Kyle Griffith '92 ('96/MA), a social studies teacher in Morenci, is involved in a historic preservation effort in that city. Kyle and the effort to renovate Morenci's old Toledo & Western Electric Railway Co. depot into an historical museum were featured in the Feb. 27 issue of The Toledo Blade. Kyle has been actively promoting local history among his high school students, who produced a 20-minute film on the history of Morenci two years ago and designed the city's first flag this year.

Lidia McGee-Robinette '92 lives in Adrian and is BCCC program secretary for the Lenawee County Health Department.

Jerrold Jones '92 is senior pastor of the First Congregational Church of Greenville, where he lives with his wife, Marilyn. Jerrold received a Master of Divinity degree from Bangor (Maine) Theological Seminary in 1994 and expects to complete his Doctor of Ministry at Northern Baptist Seminary in 1998.

Kyles Otis Hamilton '93 (Southfield) graduated from Detroit College of Law in January with a Juris Doctorate degree. He practices criminal, family and bankruptcy law. He and his wife, Lena, live in Southfield.

Amy Keelean Ash '93 lives in Pittsford and is a middle school at-risk teacher at Camden Frontier School. She and her husband, Aaron, have two children, Chelsey (5) and Dylan (2).

Tracey Ladd '93, a 1997 M.F.A. candidate in painting at Bowling Green (Ohio) State University, mounted her thesis exhibition April 11-20 in the Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery of BGSU's Fine Art Center. In an artist statement included in the exhibition

announcement, Tracey commented that "within my work, I create space which is different than reality in order to transcend the ordinary. The unusual placement of daily objects and image juxtapositions are used to create a space of wonderment and enlightening analogies."

Lisa Lauber '93 is an assistant director of development at Coin Educational Products in Toledo.

Jacob Bialik '94 is project manager for CT&E Environmental Services in Ludington. He lives in Ludington with his wife, LeAnne, and their two sons, Zachary (2 1/2) and Alex (1).

Kathy Goetz '94 is bereavement coordinator for Hospice of Lenawee, where she has worked for eight years as a certified bereavement facilitator. She is training to become a trauma loss specialist. As part of a three-person staff that provides free service, Kathy lends support and information to people experiencing or about to experience the death of a loved one.

Lora Marcum Manders '94 teaches business at Napoleon (Ohio) High School.

Paula Maves '94 is assistant vice president/director of relocation services for Standard Federal Bank in Troy.

Lisa Smith '94 of Adrian was named 1996 recipient of the Merlyn H. Downing Employee of the Year Award by United Bank & Trust, where she has worked in various positions since 1987. Currently, she is an audit assistant in the internal audit department.

Karin Welker '94 of Toledo is a cost accountant for La-Z-Boy, Inc., in Monroe. She is a member of the Institute of Management Accountants and enjoys travelling and playing indoor and outdoor soccer.

Jeannine Gurica Creamer '94 lives with her daughter in Blissfield where Jeannine works as an account executive for The Advance newspaper.

Keila Kae Iffland '95/MA of Jackson is a K-12 guidance counselor for the Britton-Macon School.

Sean Jorgensen '95 is public service coordinator with Bay Corrugated Container, Inc., in Monroe.

David McGee '95 of Grosse Pointe Park is working as a kiln manager at Pewabic Pottery in Detroit and teaching a class at Schoolcraft College. He and **Cathy Ellis**

'95 are planning an April 1998 wedding.

Tonya Roelant Bogedain '95 lives in Monroe with her husband, Jaret.

Michael Dennis '95 is an accounting analyst for Anderson Development Co. in Adrian where he lives with his wife. He and Kristina, a 5th grade teacher at Onsted Middle School, were married last June.

Cathie Bachman Lewis '95 is teaching 7th grade math at Blissfield Middle School.

Patty Snyder Glaser '95 is living in Tecumseh with her husband. She and **Jeff Glaser '77/AA** were married a year ago in April.

Ryan Duvall '96 is teaching sixth grade for the Airport Community Schools in Monroe County.

Angela "Gabby" Sheely Moore '96 is studying Arabic at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, Cal., where she lives with her husband, Tom, a specialist with the U.S. Army.

Charles Rupert '96, a former police officer of 10 years and operator of Dove Investigations of Adrian, has been awarded a "Certified Fraud Examiner" designation by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.

Carol Tapp '96/MA of Tecumseh is a counselor in private practice specializing in eating disorders. She also is offering workshops in self-esteem which she designed during her master's program internship.

FRIENDS

Phyllis Peters of Royal Oak, a retired certified public accountant and the former director of professional standards at Deloitte & Touche, where she worked for 41 years, is a new member of the Siena Heights College Board of Trustees.

E. Jill Pollock was featured by Crain's Detroit Business as one of the area's top "women of influence." Jill is president of Pollock Consulting Group, Inc., of Detroit. In addition to being a Siena Heights Trustee, Jill supports University of Detroit Mercy and serves on the boards of Karmanos Cancer Institute, Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Institute, National Association of Women Business Owners, Small Business Association of Michigan, and Musica Viva.

Virgil Gladieux, a long-time trustee of the College, died in February after an extended illness. "We will always remember Virgil for his kindness, his generosity, his love for his family, and his compassion for those in need," President Artman said in announcing Virgil's death to the campus community. To contact Virgil's wife, Bea, son, Tom, or daughter, Teri, write to: V/Gladieux Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 5850, Toledo, OH 43613-0850.

MARRIAGES

Helen "Cassie" Chamberlain '88 and Paul Veselovsky, March 10, 1997
Brett Loomis '90 and Jennifer Tourangeau, September 1996
Kristina and Michael Dennis '95, June 22, 1996
Robert Stark '83 and Mary Sprague, Sept. 14, 1996
Mary Frances Boylan '85 and Richard Reisinger.
Rebecca King '89 and Charles Roehm, Dec. 15, 1995
Shawn Hawley '95 and Heather Hudson, Oct. 5, 1996
Michelle Guzman '95 and Richard L. Merrill, III, Feb. 14, 1997
Robert Davis, Jr. '96 and Kimberly Jones, June 1, 1996
Jennifer Johnson '96/MA and Joseph Morgan, Aug. 31, 1996.

BIRTHS

Tim and Margaret Lawler Michael '82 ('85/MA), a son, Scott, Feb. 1996
Mark and Elizabeth Faz Cote '87, a daughter, Nicole Elizabeth, Nov. 26, 1996
Todd '88 and Stacy Goodrich Miletti '90, a daughter, Erica Tarryn, Nov. 1996
Brett and Abigail Harju LaLonde '89, a daughter, Rebecca Louise, April 30, 1996
Charles and Rebecca King Roehm '89, a son, Adam Louell, Jan. 16, 1997
LeAnne and Jacob Bialik '94, a son, Alex Jacob, April 1996

ADRIAN DOMINICAN DEATHS

Dorothy Browne, OP '32 (March 30, 1997)
Alice Therese Kildea, OP '42 (Nov. 12, 1996)
Margaret Soric, OP '42 (formerly Sr. Marie Simon) (Nov. 7, 1996)
Mary Alexandrine Fraser, OP '43 (Nov. 29, 1996)
Margaret Flores, OP '48 (formerly Sr. Donald Marie) (May 3, 1997)
Kathleen Miotke, OP '60 (formerly Sr. Francis Helen) (April 30, 1997)

A special note: We note with special sadness the death of Sister Dorothy Browne, who taught at Siena Heights in the late 1930s and served as dean from 1957 to 1963. She received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the Siena Heights Alumni Association in the 1980s.

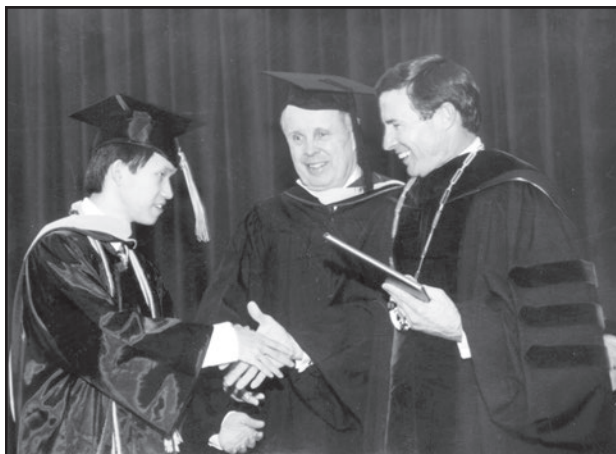
DEATHS

Margaret Paye Schaible '36 (Jan. 19, 1997)
Marie Lefere Page '42 (Jan. 15, 1997)
Mary Benigna Marczak, CSSF '44 (March 31, 1997)
Helen Marx DuChene '47 (Dec. 12, 1996)
Arlie Haviland Beaubien '48 (Feb. 1997)
Velta Brand Nichols '51 (Nov. 24, 1996)
Rita Walter Sturwold '62 (Oct. 23, 1995)
Frances Pauline Whiting Rich '64/MA (Dec. 18, 1996)
Maxine L. Muck '65 (Dec. 24, 1996)

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Chairperson of the Board of Trustees John Tierney (center) assisted President Rick Artman with the happy job of presenting diplomas at the Adrian campus commencement.



It's been said that Siena Heights is one of higher education's best kept secrets.

Let us be secretive no more! Here are just a few (of the many possible) examples of the outstanding accomplishments that emerge regularly from the classrooms and laboratories of our Adrian campus.

Prizewinning Enterprise

Six Siena business students defeated 36 colleges from five states to win the regional Students In Free Enterprise championship in April. The students presented their outreach project on Siena's Mexico educational study program to a panel of 40 business leaders and entrepreneurs who rated the effectiveness of each team's efforts--and named Siena Heights #1. As regional champions, Siena joined 92 other college teams at SIFE's International Exposition in May, where team members made valuable job contacts. SIFE works in partnership with business and higher education to help students apply classroom business learning to real-life situations. Team members were: Cortney Ford '97, Mirta Carrello (an exchange student from Cuernavaca, Mexico), Beth Elliot '97, Heather Hulbert '98, Daniel Morris '99 and Keith Rusie '99. Roger Pae, associate professor of marketing, advises the group.

Siena Songbird

Sophomore Choi Lim Palms-Cohen was named best college vocalist at the 24th annual Aquinas College Jazz Festival in February, which showcased jazz ensembles from 24 Michigan high schools, colleges and universities. In addition to singing with the Siena Heights jazz band, Choi is a member of the Madrigal Singers and the Cecilian Choristers. She is majoring in music business.

Adding Up Honors

Three mathematics students presented research at this spring's 14th Annual Rose-Hulman Conference on Undergraduate Mathematics in Indiana. One of the nation's most prestigious undergraduate mathematics conferences, the event showcases research from across

the country. Only 24 students were chosen to present research to the convention. "To have three students from one school selected is an extreme honor," said math professor Rick Trujillo. "It highlights the quality of the mathematics program at Siena Heights." Margaret Jahnke '97 presented "Matrix Invertibility: A Graphical Approach with Mathematica." Maryann Herman '97 presented "Causes of War." Angela Root '99 presented "Investigations of Cyclic Quadrilaterals Using the Texas Instrument-92 Graphing Calculator."

Dramatic Diversity

Theatre Siena focused on two very different American families this spring in plays exploring Jewish and African-American cultural experience. The March production of *A Shayna Maidel*, directed by Mark DiPietro '83, focused on a family reunited after World War II, building a new life in the aftermath of the Holocaust. The April show, August Wilson's *Fences* directed by Doug Miller '75, portrayed a 1950s black family in middle America before the civil rights revolution, and was the first production in memory at Siena to feature an all-African-American cast.

Research Recognition

Siena's Xi Omega chapter of Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society hosted the Region 4 District Convention this spring. Student biologists from colleges and universities in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana came to campus for the oral research paper and research poster competitions. Eleven Siena students presented research at the conference and three won awards. Mary O'Connor '97 won the Frank Brooks Award for best oral research presentation in the area



Women in Science: Academic Dean and chemist Sharon Weber, OP '69 congratulates graduating biologists and Beta Beta Beta members Amanda Adams (left) and Mary O'Connor.

of Organismal Biology and Ecology with her paper, "Early Developmental Experience and Mate Selection of White-eyed *Drosophila Melanogaster*." This is the second straight year a Siena Heights student has won the Brooks award. Stewart Isley '97 placed third in oral research in Cell and Molecular Biology for his study of heavy metal accumulation in wild and ranch-raised mink. Scott Ortsey '97 took third in the poster competition with his population census of the least shrew.

Spread the Word

Don't be shy: Tell the world where you went to college and why. And remember: Any son or daughter of a Siena Heights graduate who enrolls full-time qualifies for a \$1,000 annual alumni scholarship. Spread the good news!



Alumni Weekend '97

Siena Heights College

October 24 - 26

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October 24 - 26.**

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5th	1992
10th	1987
15th	1982
20th	1977
25th	1972
30th	1967
35th	1962
40th	1957
45th	1952
50th	1947
55th	1942

Renew your college ties and rekindle your Siena Spirit. Activities for Alumni Weekend '97 include reunions, alumni golf outing, tailgate party with faculty, alumni sports events, men's and women's varsity soccer games, alumni art exhibit, the return of Las Vegas Night, and much more. A full schedule of events is planned -- so come back to school October 24-26, and fall back in step with Siena Heights.

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